(c) whether any enquiry has been made and responsibility fixed in security lapses involved in the matter; and

(d) whether any culprits have been apprehended and if so, the details thereof and the action taken by Government in this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF PERSONNEL, PUBLIC GRIEVANCES AND PENSIONS AND MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHR P. CHIDAMBARAM): (a) to (d) The Delhi Electric Supply Undertaking authorities got a case registered at Police Station Kotwali on 14th November, 1986 that some fittings were found missing from the moat at the Red Fort.

One Mohd. Babul of Jama Masjid Area was arrested and 11 electric fittings were recovered.

Deforestation caused by Viscose fibre production

3212. SHRI SHANKER SINH VAGHELA:
SHRI PRAMOD MAHAJAN:
SHRI ASHWANI KUMAR:
SHRI KAILASH PATI MISHRA:

Will the Minister of ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of trees cut/ tonnes of forest wood required for each tonne of viscose fibre produced during the last Five Years Plan period and in each of the last three years and also the number of replacement-trees grown in the same periods;

(b) whether the forests are depleting due to viscose fibre production requirements; if so, the steps being taken to stop in time, the depletion of forests specially while permitting expansion of production capacity or giving new licenses for production; and

(c) whether it would be made compulsory for all such, expansions or new licence giving programmes which use forest produces in their production to obtain prior clearance forma Government?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF ENVIRONMENT AND FORESTS (SHRI Z. R. ANSARI): (a) About 3.85 tonnes of wood is required to manufacture one tonne of viscose fibre. Statistics relating to the number of trees cut only for viscose production and the number of replacement trees grown are not maintained.

(b) and (c) Depletion of forest is caused by various biotic pressures. Clearance of the Central Government is necesary for substantial expansion or a new unit and availability of raw material is always taken into account while such an approval is given.

Request by the Punjab Government leniency towards army deserters

3213. SHRI LAL K. ADVANI:
SHRI MAHENDRA PRASAD:
SHRI SHANKER SINH VAGHELA:
SHRI MURLIDHAR CHANDRAKANT BHANDARE:

Will the PRIME MINISTER be pleased to state:

(a) what is the number of army deserters being prosecuted for thier involvement in incidents of revolt in the army during the Operation Blue Star in Punjab;

(b) whether Punjab Government has demanded amensty for those army deserters;

(c) if so, on what grounds and Government's reaction in this regard; and